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Obama: Republicans appeasing 'extremists' on shutdown

WASHINGTON (AFP) - President Barack Obama Monday accused Republicans of pandering to the "extreme right wing" of their party and holding Americans hostage in a budget dispute threatening to shutter the US government.

Just over six hours before government services grind to a halt and thousands of federal workers are furloughed, Obama said time was running out for a last-minute compromise.

Republicans in the House of Representatives are seeking to force Obama to delay or defund his signature health insurance reform law in return for funding government operations.

They are using a similar tactic as Obama also asks Congress for a lifting of the \$16.7 trillion US debt ceiling. If no deal is reached, the United States may begin defaulting on its debts by the middle of October.

"One faction of one party in one house of Congress in one branch of government doesn't get to shut down the entire government just to re-

fight the results of an election," Obama said.

"Congress needs to keep our government open, needs to pay our bills on time, and never, ever threaten the full faith and credit of the United States of America."

"Time is running out. My hope and expectation is that in the 11th hour once again, that Congress will choose to do the right thing and that the House of Representatives in particular will choose the right thing."

"Unfortunately, right now, House Republicans continue to tie funding of the government to ideological demands like limiting a woman's access to contraception or deflating the Affordable Care Act, all to save face after making some impossible promises to the extreme right wing of their party."

Obama also warned that the imminent shutdown would have real and dramatic economic consequences for thousands of Americans and said it was not fair that people who had dug out of the worst recession in decades were again facing economic uncertainty.

AVP supporters were out in force for the victory parade



The historic winning of 13 seats in Aruba's 21-seat parliament by Arubaanse Volkspartij, AVP, and the re-election of Prime Minister

Mike Eman was considered cause for celebration, indeed. Election results had thousands of jubilant party members painting the island

"green" since they were confirmed around midnight on Friday, September 27.

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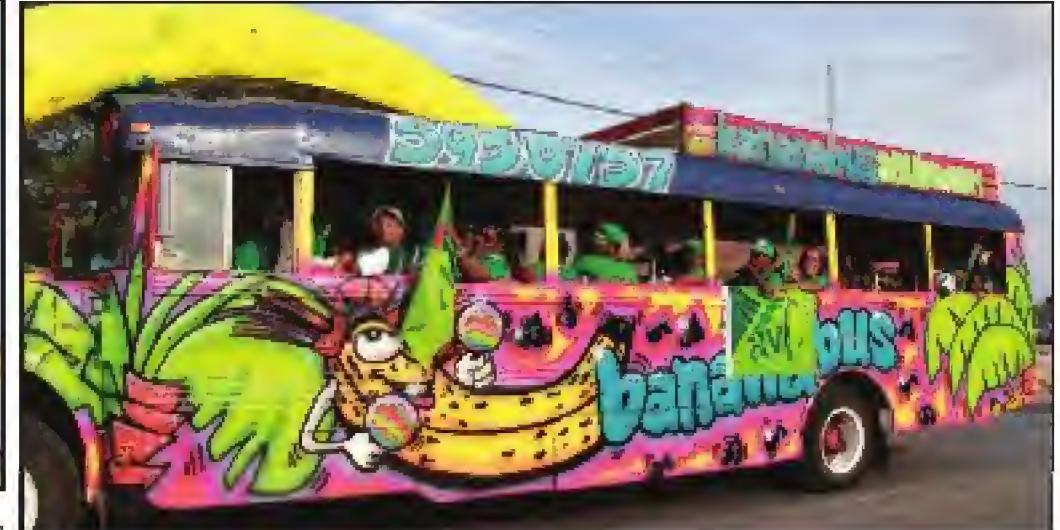
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AVP supporters were out in force for the victory parade

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The PM, along with AVP's 28 other candidates, their principle supporters and campaign workers gathered at the Joe Laveist Ballpark in San Nicolas on Sunday morning for a triumphant victory parade through the island. They waved to thousands who gathered along the roadside and wish them well, while taking a route from the east end of Aruba along the southern highway, turning north at Pos Chiquito to traverse the middle main road passing through Santa Cruz. They turned west at the Tanki Flip rotunda to finish at their campaign outlet "Rio Berde" in Noord.

Detailed results of the individual vote counts have been released, and in his re-election bid, Prime Minister Eman earned a record 8,222 votes of the total 57,803 valid ballots cast. Other top AVP vote-getters who will likely retain their parliamentary seats and in some cases, positions as ministers, in ascending order are: Otmar Oduber: 4,008, Oslin "Benny" Sevinger: 3,932, Mike de Meza, 2,100, Arthur Dowers: 2,079, Paul Croes: 1,898, Juan David Yrausquin: 1,314, Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar, 1,185, Dr. Alex Schwengle, 737, Jennifer Arends-Reyes: 604, Lorna Varlack, 474, Marlon Sneek: 443, and Desiree Croes, with 437. Parliamentarians since 2001 who joined the AVP ticket this year, Marisol Lopez-Tromp and Mervin Wyatt-Ras, each garnered 1,643 and 839 votes, respectively.

AVP earned 58 % of the vote during this year's elections, with the other major party, Movimiento Electoral de Pueblo, MEP, coming in second with only 30% of the vote and winning 6 seats (+1 remaining seat) in Parliament. The last seat was again reclaimed by Partido Democracia Real leader Andin Bikker, whose party won 8% of the vote, and the remaining 4% was divided among the three remaining parties, RED, UPP and PPA, did not earn seats in government.

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AVP

1. Eman, Michiel G. - 8222 (2009: 8068)
2. Sevinger, Oslin B. - 3932 (2009: 2072)
3. De Meza, Mike E. - 2100 (2009: 2805)
4. Oduber, Otmar E. - 4008 (2009: 1647)
5. Croes, Pauldrick F.T. - 1898 (2009: 1578)
6. Dowers, Arthur L. - 2079 (2009: 1263)
7. Wyatt geb. Ras, Melvin G. - 839 (2009: 703)
8. Hooyboer geb. Winklaar, Michelle J. - 1185 (2009: 1078)
9. Yrausquin, Juan David E. - 1314 (2009: 1293)
10. Velasquez, Clarisca N. - 335 (2009: 562)
11. Schwengle, Carlos A. - 767
12. Sneek, Alfred M. - 443 (2009: 304)
13. Croes, Desiree G. - 427 (2009: 238)
14. Verlack, Lorna C. - 474 (2009: 359)
15. Rasmijn, Donald R. - 395 (2009: 330)
16. Herde, Gervais R. - 298 (2009: 313)
17. Tromp, Melvin A. - 385 (2009: 334)
18. Kelly, Jeffrey C.G.P. - 97
19. Dammers, Christiaan G. - 214 (2009: 197)
20. Arends geb. Reyes, Jennifer J. - 604
21. Roos, Norman C. - 177 (2009: 128)
22. Janssen geb. Frank, Deyanira L. - 75
23. Bufalini geb. Rasmijn, Malayka C. - 114
24. Dirks, Richard A. - 217
25. Lopez, Tyson O. - 173

MEP

1. Wever geb. Croes, Evelyn C - 3396 (2009: 1621)
2. Romero, Crispin V.J. - 1273 (2009: 622)
3. Ruiz geb. Maduro, Xiomara J. - 2445 (2009: 360)
4. Besaril, Guilfred F. - 833
5. Thijssen, Juan E. - 475 (2009: 414)
6. Oduber, Danguillaume P. - 1749
7. Briesen, Edison - 240 (2009: 559)
8. Tromp geb Lee, Shailiny M. - 574
9. Giel, Carl R.A. - 465 (2009: 575)
10. Werleman, Mario F. - 248
11. Croes, Arondino R.B. - 364 (2009: 289)
12. Sint Jago, Gisele B.M. - 77
13. Croes, Jan Hendrik - 509
14. Leo, Daniel F.P. - 192 (2009: 293)
15. Vrolijk, Edgard G.A. - 586
16. Christiaans geb. Yarzagaray, Louisette J. - 274
17. Koolman, Joe G. - 118 (2009: 98)
18. Bergen, Luigi D. - 187 (2009: 58)
19. Gibbs, Jean-Paul L. - 76
20. Jacobs, John Francis - 131 (2009: 98)
21. Croes, Gerrit - 90 (2009: 58)
22. Croes, Stephanie M. -

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23. Maduro, Karel A.J. - 233
24. Croes, Gerick A. - 350
25. Richards, Amy P. - 57
26. Richardson, Rudy R. - 56
27. Kock, Ronwayne L. - 77
28. Farro, Patrick S. - 76
29. Croes, Glenbert F. - 2371

PDR

1. Bikker, Andin C.G. - 3047 (2009: 1621)
2. Tromp, Alonso - 275
3. Wernet, Gilbert S. - 28
4. Faro, Maisa M.M. - 72
5. Ras, Hipolito, E. - 100
6. Boezem geb. Geerman, Irena R. - 125 (2009: 51)
7. Mackay, Phaidra W. - 48
8. Erasmus, Darlaine B. - 209
9. Martes, Milo A. - 38
10. Rosel, Crispino E.R. - 48
11. Stamper, Bernadino F. - 31
12. Britten, Carlwyn J. - 52
13. Kock, Joseph A. - 43
14. Von Kriegenbergh, Randy E. - 7
15. Dijkhoff, Raymundo A.C.F. - 36 (2009: 27)
16. Goeloe, Ilario B. - 25
17. Palm, Constant - 7
18. Jones, Haime E. - 25
19. Tromp, Porfilio A. - 50
20. Ramos Clase, Felix P. - 12
21. Lie-Kwie, Kieng Sang B. - 27
22. Trimon, Rashid J.G.L. - 8
23. Coffie, Zuleika Z. - 29
24. Maduro, Sergio T. - 5
25. Roos, Angelo J. - 7 (2009: 3)
26. Acosta, Henry G. - 18
27. Belgarde, Natacha - 11
28. Dubero, Augusto J.J. - 22 (2009: 16)
29. Gomes, Lisette J. - 111

UPP

1. Wever, Candelario A.S.D. - 652 (2009: 1441)
2. Hernandez, Raymond R. - 77
3. Boekhoudt geb. van den Ham, Maria R. - 14
4. de la Cruz Cruz, Ignacio R.R. - 13
5. de Ruijter, Jan G. - 14
6. Talboom, Johannes - 5
7. Lampe, Michael D. - 13
8. de Kort, Benny N. - 17

RED

1. Lampe, Armando R. - 613 (2009: 1360)
2. Croes, Ricardo S. - 420
3. de Kort, Rudolf E.O. - 27 (2009: 32)
4. Quillette, Melvin T. - 22 (2009: 52)
5. Zijlstra, Fejite M.A. - 16
6. Rasmijn, Adisla M. - 14
7. Halley, Roxanna N. - 25
8. Hofwijzer, Robert J. - 5
9. Pena, Marcel A. - 38
10. Tromp, Mijenoue D. - 29

PPA

1. Nisbet, Benedict J.M. - 245 (2009: 329)
2. van der Biezen geb. Ridderstaat, Maria A. - 22
3. Amelo geb. Hennep - 18
4. Jones, Dean A. - 15
5. Woodley, Jacqueline - 28
6. Croes, Roland O. - 11
7. Bennett, Charles E.E. - 22
8. Burke, Indira V. - 21
9. Peterson, John R. - 10
10. Marchena, Angelo A. - 21
11. Illis, Roy Eldred - 27
12. Viduenus, Diomedes J. - 4
13. Hassell, Malcolm L. - 2
14. Burleson geb. Werleman, Darlise J. - 23
15. Lampe, Franklin H. - 11
16. Lemmers, Merelynn NR. - 6
17. Wilson, Rafael - 6
18. de Haseth, John K. - 3
19. Croes, Julio I. - 2
20. Carti, Cargyle B.A. - 5
21. Hagens, Edward G. - 4

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Felicia Perez is the happy winner of a Nissan Versa from Glitz Casino!



All through the month of September, Aruba's newest casino, Glitz, in the La Cabana Resort, has been handing out raffle tickets to all their Glitz Glamour Club members accumulating 50 points on the slot machines or gaming tables. The grand prize for the drawing was a brand new Nissan Versa.

For every 50 points, a raffle ticket went into the tum-

bler, and the drawing took place on Sunday evening, at 11:00 PM. The casino was packed with enthusiastic players, as the winner was required to be present to take home a brand new car.

Five names were selected from the bin: Eusebia Bejar, Felicia Perez, Hans Mayr, Grace Hering and William Mosconi. They were called to the stage where they were

handed key chains with remotes, then marched outside to the casino's entrance to test which remote would open the car's doors.

Felicia Perez was thrilled to discover she held the magic remote, and had a beautiful new car to take home, thanks to Glitz Casino, where she enjoys playing regularly. Felicia did not have a car of her own, so had to cage rides from friends to spend a pleasant evening; she expressed she now looks forward to returning the favor and bringing her friends to have a fun time at the Casino in her brand new Nissan Versa.

All the other names drawn were awarded weekend stays at the La Cabana Beach Resort, and report they are very much looking forward to a pleasant get-away, which will also make it easy for them to enjoy some play at their favorite casino.



Cas Animal Cont'd

Two newly rescued puppies need good homes



Cas Animal Foundation, which takes rescues stray and abandoned dogs and cats off the streets, has two very recent additions ready for adoption. One may be spoken for, "Ritzy" a six-month-old brown and black mixed breed was found around the temporary offices of the Ritz-Carlton in Oranjestad, and has quite captured the heart of one of their employees. The arrangements have not yet been finalized.

The other, an adorable tri-color mixed breed that is around three-months-old, was found wandering the streets of San Nicolas. She is

so sweet and friendly, we can only imagine she was in search of someone to love. Inquiries around the neighborhood resulted in no claiming to be her master.

An immediate trip to the Contreras Veterinary Clinic has resulted in a clean bill of health on both puppies, they are in very good shape and quite clean, and their first vaccinations. "Ritzy" tends to favor one leg, but an x-ray revealed that is because of an old injury, and the broken leg is already healed.

Cas Animal maintains an Animal Ambulance for just such rescues, as well as pro-



viding services to masters who are unable to get their dog to the vet for some reason, and assistance during emergencies, no matter what the hour.

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This is the week of Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival!



Aruba and lovers of good music abroad are super excited for the 7th edition of the Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival. Set to take place over Columbus Day Weekend, Friday and Saturday, October 4 & 5, the island is already buzzing with excitement.

This whole week is filled with activities leading up to the weekend starting with the warm-up sessions which will be totally free! Today, School of Music Ensemble will be giving a unique presentation on the stage in front of Café the Plaza at Renaissance. Wednesday Sazon Cubano will be at Arawak Garden at Palm Beach and "The Press Club with live music" will be at Casibari Café. On Thursday at Moomba Beach Luci & the Soul Brokers will be presenting.

Line up for Friday's concerts will be El Gran Combo from Puerto Rico, Willy Gar-

Cubano, Ivan Jansen Project, Groovehunters, Beardy Man and Sazon Cubano.

On the concert days there will also be music at the entrance, on Friday Live Expressions and Saturday Kross Hart Project.

The venue set up is moving full speed and one can already notice the big difference in the Renaissance area.

Inside the convention center will be the Purple Stage, and adjacent, in the Renaissance Fiesta Garden, will be the popular food court and beverage stands. The lane that is usually the exit for the Renaissance Marketplace will be converted into a two-way lane allowing access to the parking lot adjacent to Wilhelmina Park. An arrangement has been made for the large parking lots next to the Plaza Turismo across from Talk of the Town Resort, and the other parking areas of the Linear Park to be used for the festival over those two night. A fleet of trams will be traversing the bike paths regularly to transport concert goers from their cars to the Renaissance Festival Plaza.

After parties with the artists jamming until the wee hours will be held at Chaos Cafe, across the street.



cia (from Grupo Niche), Giovanca, Levi Silvanie, Kross-Hart Project, Bambu, Marqueses Scott, Acoustic Soul y Dj Meneer Moret. And on Saturday evening jazz icon George Benson will be taking the stage, Jose James, Luci & The Soul Brothers, Gualao ft Eduardo Maya Live Xpressions, Sazon

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Cas Animal Cont'd

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Kirsten Arndt, who founded Cas Animal, now cares for nearly 30 dogs in her home, which she has converted into a temporary shelter. Most are older, calmer dogs, which have gotten past the chewing stage, if families are looking for a good companion. Her costs for feeding, treating and neutering all the dogs she rescues and maintains are astronomical, but it is her mission in life to save every abandoned dog if she can, as well as those who are abused or neglected. She is now dedicating her life to building Aruba's first, strictly no kill shelter, a state-of-the-art facility that will comfortably house 250 dogs in spacious kennels, as well as maintain an onsite clinic and art studio.

On Saturday, October 5, Cas Animal will be conducting its annual Fundraising Golf Tournament at the Tierra Del Sol Golf Course and Country Club. It is a two-man shotgun scramble beginning at 10:00 AM with great prizes for best team, closest to the pin and longest drive. It will include a buffet and cocktail after party at sunset. Those interested in participating can contact Adam Williamson, head pro at Tierra Del Sol.

Non-golfers can also support the work of Cas Animal, with donations in the form of payment to the Cas Animal Foundation account at the Contreras Veterinary Clinics, call: 587-0917, or to Animal Care Clinic in Paradera, phone number 582-8382. Donations can be made directly to the foundation's account: Cas Animal Foundation, CMB Bank account # 25762110. If you are not an island resident and wish to adopt a dog, or see one in distress, call Kiki at 742-8732 and she will help you through the process of acquiring the papers and a carrier needed to take home one of our sweet, affectionate cunucu dogs, who make excellent watch dogs, too. This is done regularly and many happy owners find great pleasure in being reminded every day of Aruba by the loving new members of their households.

Obama tells Netanyahu he has clear eyes on Iran

WASHINGTON (AFP) - President Barack Obama promised Benjamin Netanyahu Monday he would enter talks with Iran with clear eyes and demand verifiable concessions, following the Israeli leader's warnings about "sweet talk" from the Islamic Republic.

Netanyahu and Obama held talks at the White House, days after Obama's historic call with Iranian

President Hassan Rouhani spurred hopes for a breakthrough in the 30-year estrangement between Washington and Tehran.

Netanyahu warned that sanctions must be maintained against Tehran and even strengthened if necessary, and said the only outcome of diplomacy Israel would accept would be a dismantling of Iran's "military nuclear program."

Haitian police use tear gas to disperse pro-Aristide demo

POR-AU-PRINCE (AFP) - Police fired in the air and used tear gas Monday to break up a protest in the Haitian capital in support of former president Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

Several thousand demon-

strators gathered in Port-au-Prince to mark the 22nd anniversary of a coup that toppled the ex-leader, who returned to the Caribbean nation from exile in 2011.

Those taking to the streets called on the current government led by President Michel Martelly not to "persecute" the former Roman Catholic priest.

Police lobbed tear gas and fired into the air to break up the group, according to an AFP reporter. But by midday, no injuries had been reported.

United Nations peacekeepers were also deployed to the scene.

Aristide -- known as a champion of Haiti's poor and reviled by the elite -- is still popular in the impoverished

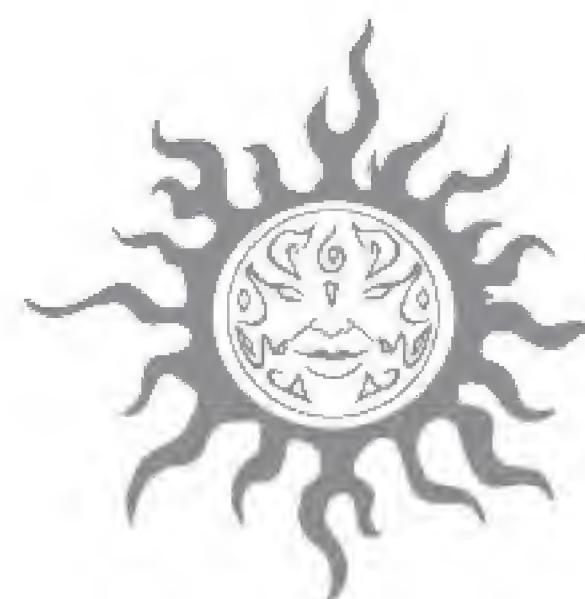
country.

In May, he appeared in court to testify before a judge over the assassination of a prominent journalist in 2000.

Questioned as part of a broad, long-running probe, that rare public appearance drew tens of thousands of supporters out into the streets.

Aristide was president from 1991 to 1996 and 2001 to 2004, though his first mandate was cut short between 1991 and 1994 by the coup that saw him take refuge in the United States.

He eventually left Haiti in 2004 aboard a US Air Force plane into exile in South Africa, fleeing political turmoil. He returned to his homeland in March 2011.



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Venezuela expels top US diplomat, two others

CARACAS (AFP) - President Nicolas Maduro ordered the expulsion of the top US diplomat in Venezuela and two other embassy officials Monday, accusing them of plotting with the opposition to sabotage the economy.

Maduro gave charge d'affaires Kelly Keiderling and the two other diplomats 48 hours to leave the country.

"Yankees go home," the leftist leader said in a public address, adding that he had instructed Foreign Minister Elias Jaua to throw out the three Americans.

The United States and Venezuela have been without mutual ambassadors since 2010, making Keiderling the most senior US diplomat in

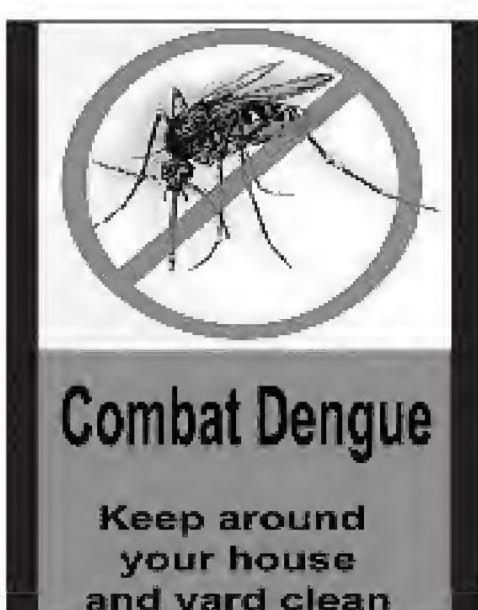
Caracas.

A US embassy official told AFP that the two other diplomats, Elizabeth Hunderland and David Mutt, work in the mission's political section.

The official said the embassy had yet to receive an official notification of expulsion from the government.

Maduro said the diplomats had met with the "Venezuelan far-right" -- as he calls the opposition -- to finance his opponents and "encourage actions to sabotage the power system and the economy."

Venezuela has endured blackouts for years, and the government has accused the opposition of plotting outages and economic sabotage before.



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International News

Knox, ex-lover retrial for Italy murder begins

FLORENCE (AFP) - Judges at the retrial of Amanda Knox for the murder of a British student on Monday ordered new DNA testing on the alleged murder weapon, a kitchen knife, on the first day of hearings.

The court in Florence also said it would re-hear the testimony of Luciano Aviello, a jailed mafia turncoat who at one point had accused his own brother of the grisly murder but then retracted.

Lawyers for the US student and her Italian former lover Raffaele Sollecito told the court the fresh tests were essential in clearing the defendants, as the victim's lawyer said the truth behind one of Italy's most notorious crimes was long overdue.



Knox and Sollecito spent four years behind bars for the murder of Meredith Kercher, who was found in a pool of blood in the house she shared with Knox in 2007, her body mangled with stab wounds.

An appeals court overturned their convictions in 2011 and Knox quickly returned to Seat-

tle, but Italy's Supreme Court in March ordered a retrial following an appeal by prosecutors against what they slammed a "superficial ruling."

"We need a key step forward on the DNA evidence... We want the truth," Knox's lawyer Luciano Ghirga told the retrial's presiding judge Alessandro Nencini.

The knife, recovered from a kitchen drawer in Sollecito's house, bore tiny traces of Knox's DNA on the handle, and Meredith's DNA on the blade.

A third DNA trace had gone unexamined because it was seen as too low to produce conclusive results but the defence hopes it could help clear the pair.

Knox, 26, has insisted she will not return to Italy for any part of the retrial.

"I was depicted as a young, unscrupulous liar. A sex fiend, a murderer. I'm not coming back," she told Florence's local *Corriere Fiorentino* daily.

If Knox is convicted again and loses another Supreme Court appeal, experts say there is a very remote chance that she could be extradited.

Sollecito, 29, has been living in the Dominican Republic but he has said he will attend court later on in the trial, which could last months.

Vatican sets April 2014 for historic two-pope sainthood



VATICAN CITY (AFP) - The Vatican on Monday said late popes John Paul II and John XXIII would be made saints at an unprecedented joint ceremony on April 27, 2014 in a bid to unite Catholic conservatives and liberals. The popular Polish pope John Paul and his Italian predecessor known as "Good Pope John", are two of modern-day Catholicism's most influential figures. The canonisation of the two popes is expected to bring hundreds of thousands of pilgrims to Rome.

New York City Opera ready to file for bankruptcy



NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - The New York City Opera seemed destined for bankruptcy Monday, lacking a substantial portion of the \$7.0 million it needs to continue operation.

The city's second opera company, dubbed "the people's opera," set out to make the genre more accessible to the masses at an affordable price when it opened its first season in 1944.

But as of Monday morning, the establishment had collected only \$2 million of the \$7 million it needed to keep its doors open.

"The New York City Opera plans to cancel its season and file for bankruptcy if we don't find the funds to finance our season by Monday" at midnight, George Steel, NYCO general manager and artistic director said over the weekend.

The company's board had decided last week to file for bankruptcy if the sum was not met, following enduring financial difficulty in recent years.

NYCO's Saturday evening performance of Mark-Anthony Turnage's "Anna Nicole" at the Brooklyn Academy of Music, was met with particular emotion.

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Health & Living

October: Breast Cancer Awareness Month around the world

-- After skin cancer, breast cancer is the most common cancer diagnosed in women in the World. Breast cancer can occur in both men and women, but it's far more common in women.

Public support for breast cancer awareness and research funding has helped improve the diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer. Breast cancer survival rates have increased, and the number of deaths has been declining, thanks to a number of factors such as earlier detection, new treatments and a better understanding of the disease.

Signs and symptoms of breast cancer may include:

-A breast lump or thickening that feels different from the surrounding tissue

-Bloody discharge from the nipple

-Change in the size or shape of a breast

-Changes to the skin over the breast, such as dimpling

-Inverted nipple

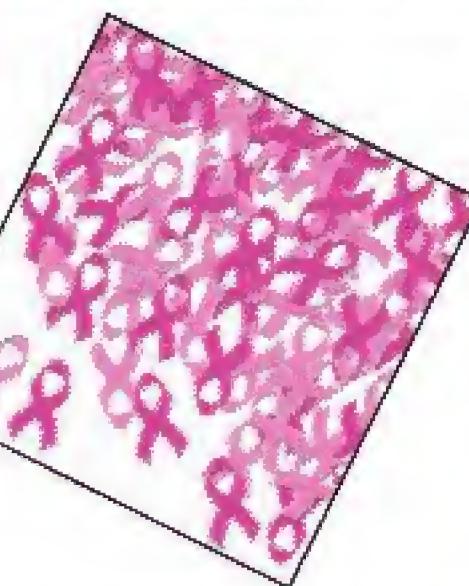
-Peeling, scaling or flaking of the nipple or breast skin

-Redness or pitting of the skin over your breast, like the

skin of an orange

If you find a lump or other change in your breast - even if a recent mammogram was normal - go see your doctor.

Doctors estimate that only 5 to 10 percent of breast cancers are linked to gene mutations passed through generations of a family. A number of inher-



ited mutated genes that can increase the likelihood of breast cancer have been identified. The most common are breast cancer gene 1 (BRCA1) and breast cancer gene 2 (BRCA2), both of which increase the risk of both breast and ovarian cancer.

found a possible association between breast implants and anaplastic large cell lymphoma (ALCL) - a rare cancer of the immune system. However, the connection between breast implants and cancer isn't well-defined or clearly supported.

But if you're considering breast implants, work with your doctor to weigh the risks and benefits.

What can we do to reduce my risk of breast cancer?

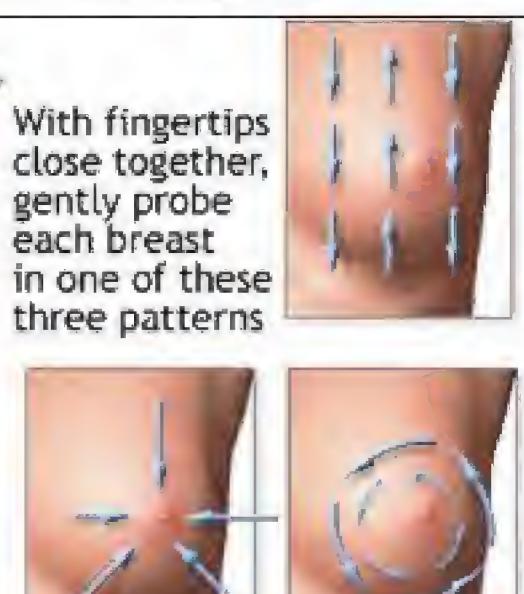
- * Limit alcohol
- * Don't smoke
- * Control your weight
- * Be physically active
- * Breast-feed. *Breast-feeding may play a role in breast cancer prevention. The longer you breast-feed, the greater the protective effect.*

* Limit dose and duration of hormone therapy

* Avoid exposure to radiation and environmental pollution

- * Eat Healthy

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which is an annual campaign to increase awareness of the disease. While most people are aware of breast cancer, many forget to take the steps to have a plan to detect the disease in its early stages and encourage others to do the same. We have made a lot of progress but still have a long way to go and need your help!



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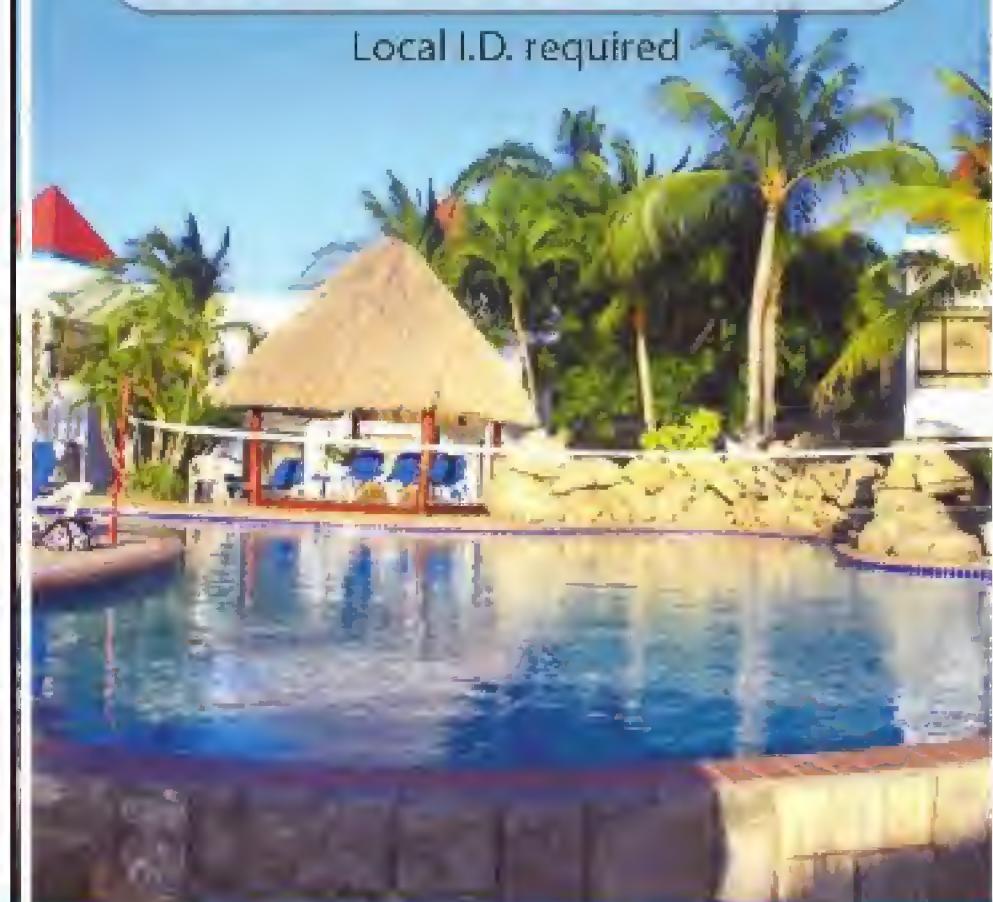
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Sci-Tech

LONDON (AFP) - Britain is to set up a dedicated military unit to counter cyber attacks, the defence secretary announced Sunday as he issued a call for tech-savvy new recruits.

The Ministry of Defence is looking to recruit hundreds of computer experts to help defend Britain's national security.

The "cyber reservists" would work alongside regular forces in the new Joint Cyber Reserve Unit in a bid to protect key computer networks and safeguard data.

The new capability would be able to "counter-attack in cyber-space and, if necessary, to strike in cyber-space as part of our full-spectrum military capability", Prime Minister David Cameron's Conservative Party said.

The centre-right party kicks off its annual conference on Sunday.

"In response to the growing cyber threat, we are developing a full-spectrum military cyber capability, including a strike capability, to enhance the UK's range of military capabilities," Hammond said.

"The cyber reserves will be an essential part of ensuring we defend our national security in cyber-space."

As well as targeting regular personnel leaving full-time roles and existing reservists with the right skill set, Ham-

Britain recruiting cyber-warriors

mond hopes to attract experts who would not otherwise consider joining up. Recruitment starts in October.

In January, parliament's defence scrutiny committee

warned in a report that the British military's dependence on information technology meant it could be "fatally compromised" by a cyber-attack.

The committee heard evi-

dence that cyber-attacks could disrupt military communication and information systems, radars and satellites, and leave combat units such as planes or ships dysfunctional.

The MPs expressed concern that the government did not have a back-up plan in the case of a failure of technology, instead focusing on averting such attacks in the first place.



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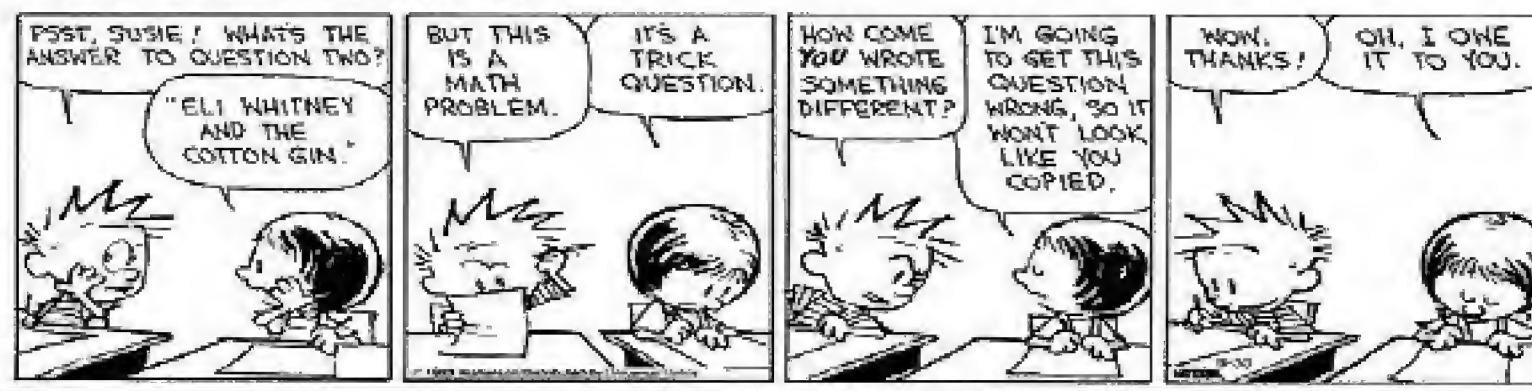
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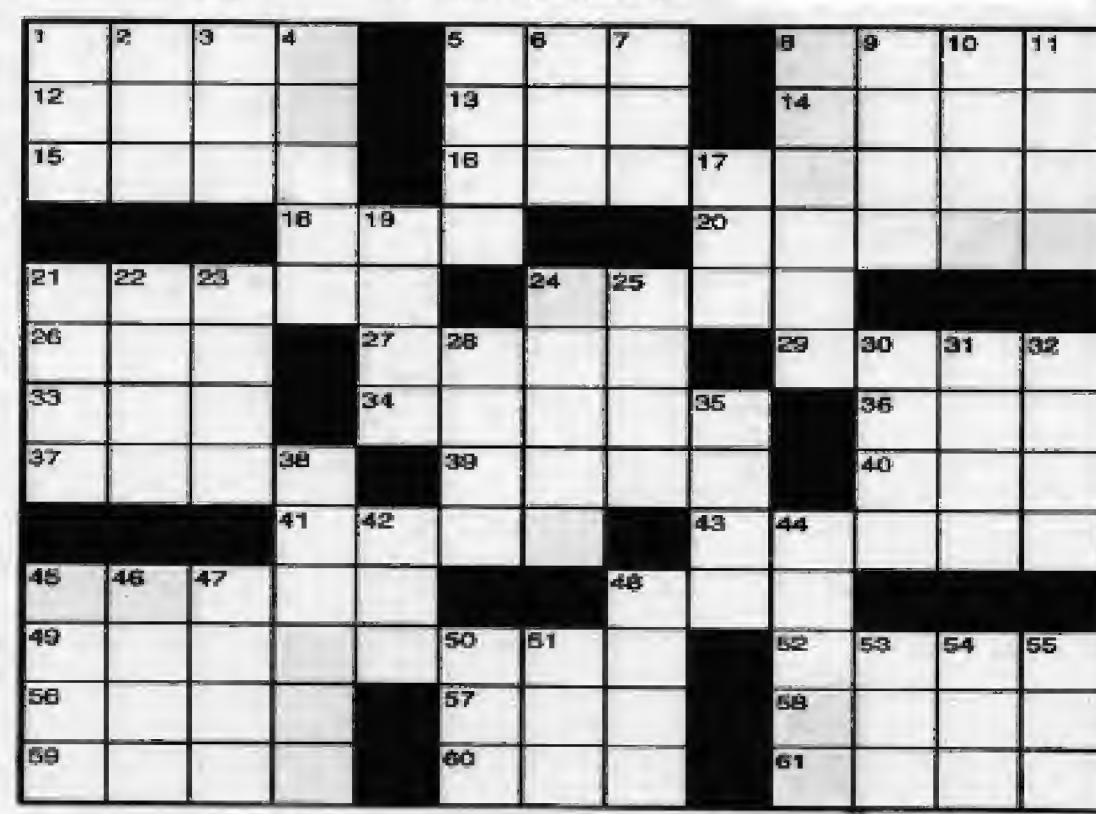
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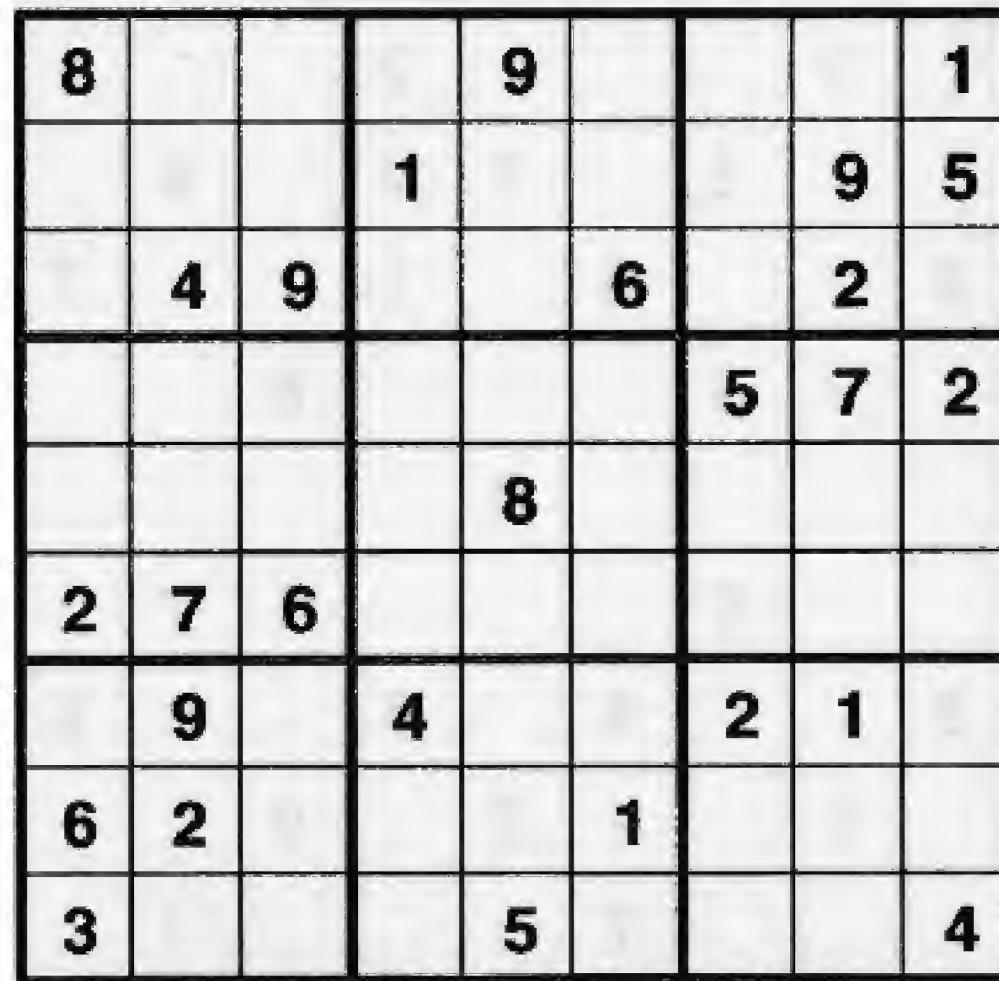
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Apple unseats Coca-Cola as world's 'best brand'

PARIS (AFP) - Coca-Cola has lost its crown as the world's best brand, a closely watched survey said on Monday, unseated by the iconic iPhone and iPad maker Apple.

This marks the first time the soft drink missed the top spot on the "best global brand report", a line-up created in 2000 by marketing consultancy Interbrand, a unit of the Omnicom advertising conglomerate.

"Every so often, a company changes our lives -- not just with its products, but with its ethos," said Jez Frampton, Interbrand's chief executive.

"This is why, following Coca-Cola's 13-year run at the top of Best Global Brands, Apple now ranks #1," he said.

In fact, Coca-Cola dropped

two places in 2013, also losing to Google, the search engine, which came in second place.

Apple has always been on the list, beginning at #36 in 2000, but has slowly climbed the ranks.

But Interbrand warned Apple needed to keep a close eye on archrival Samsung (#9), especially on the crucial smartphone market.

"To maintain its number one position over the next year, Apple will have to slow rival Samsung's momentum in the mobile market and never lose sight of what it does best: 'Think different,'" the consultancy said.

According to Interbrand, the Apple brand is worth \$98.31 billion, a 28 percent rise from the previous year with the Google brand weighing in at \$93.29 billion.

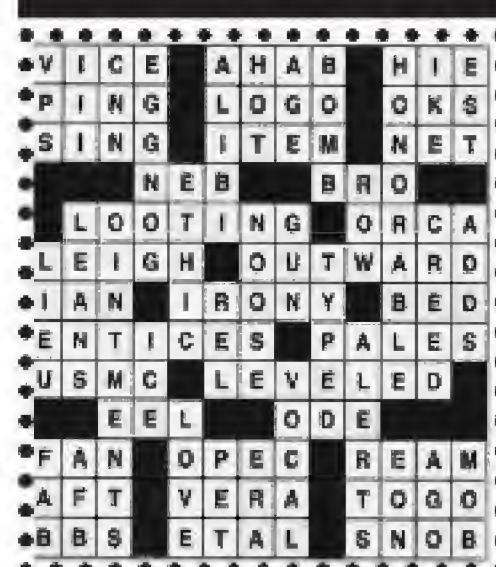
Computing giants IBM and Microsoft fill out the top five.

Meanwhile, some recent rising stars have now lost their lustre.

Blackberry, the embattled phone maker, has disappeared from the list completely and Nokia, once the mobile phone leader, tumbled from 13th place to a lowly 57.

Social network Facebook meanwhile jumped to the 52 spot from 69.

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FINANCE

Netherlands Budget negotiations to continue on Today

DEN HAAG - The coalition government's negotiations with opposition parties on spending plans being held yesterday will continue today.

The talks were called for Monday following two days of debate on the 2014 budget last week. Prime minister Mark Rutte said then he wanted to create broader support for the spending plans.

On Monday, finance minister Jeroen Dijsselbloem spent one-and-a-half hours laying out how much room for manoeuvre the opposition parties have.

He said many subjects are up for discussion: tax cuts, the social accord agreed with employers and unions, and spending power, according to press reports.

Seven opposition parties took part in the talks. The anti-immigration PVV and the Socialist Party were absent.

After the meeting, animal rights party PvdD leader Marianne Thieme said she would

not be accepting Dijsselbloem's invitation to more talks.

Christian Democrat MP Eddy van Hijum told journalists: "We did not get very far, but at least the government is prepared to talk." His party wants to see tax cuts in the budget and, together with the left-wing liberal D66, wants plans to reform redundancy law and cut unemployment benefit brought forward.

The government needs opposition support for its spending plans because it does not have a majority in the Senate.

Oil falls on concerns of US government shutdown

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Oil prices Monday rallied somewhat from intra-session lows, but ended down amid concerns about a possible US government shutdown.

US benchmark West Texas Intermediate for November delivery dipped 54 cents to \$101.33 a barrel after earlier getting as low as \$101.05 a barrel.

European benchmark Brent North Sea crude for November delivery fell 26 cents to \$108.37 a barrel.

A partial shutdown at midnight Monday of the US government loomed as congressional negotiators remained far apart from a possible deal to fund government operations.

The drop in prices is due to "perceptions that a US govern-

ment shutdown will impact demand for oil, and in the process hit the prospects for economic growth in the last quarter of 2013," said CMC Markets analyst Michael Hewson.

Carl Larry, an analyst with Oil Outlooks and Opinions, attributed a rally later in the session to optimism that the US will somehow avert a shutdown.

"Everyone is keeping their fingers crossed that it's going to get resolved before midnight," Larry said.

Larry also cited a number of recent refinery outages, including in Texas and Tennessee, as factors in oil's retreat Monday. Market watchers now expect an increase in US oil inventories in Wednesday's weekly report.

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Filmmaker scraps Hillary Clinton CNN documentary

WASHINGTON (AFP) - An Oscar-winning filmmaker has abandoned a planned documentary on Hillary Clinton, following an outcry from Republicans who argued the film would promote the former secretary of state's presidential run.

Filmmaker Charles Ferguson said on a blog on the Huffington Post that criticism from both Democrats and Republicans made it difficult to produce the film for CNN.

"When I approached people for interviews, I discovered that nobody, and I mean nobody, was interested in helping me make this film," he wrote.

"Not Democrats, not Republicans -- and certainly nobody who works with the Clintons, or dreams of a position in a Hillary Clinton administration...

After approaching well over a hundred people, only two persons who had ever dealt with Mrs. Clinton would agree to an on-camera interview, and I suspected that even they would back out."

Ferguson, who won an Oscar for his 2010 documentary about the financial crisis



"Inside Job" said he began with the idea of making an "ambitious, controversial, and highly visible" film which was independent and fair on the former secretary of state, senator and first lady.

He noted that Clinton was not cooperating and that some Democrats were concerned about it as a commercial venture. Republicans claimed the film would promote Clinton, who is considering a 2016 White House run.

"Neither political party wanted the film made," Ferguson said. "After painful reflection, I decided that I couldn't make a film of which I would

be proud. And so I'm cancelling. (Not because of any pressure from CNN -- quite the contrary.) It's a victory for the Clintons, and for the money machines that both political parties have now become. But I don't think that it's a victory for the media, or for the American people," added Ferguson, who was also nominated for an Oscar for his Iraq War documentary "No End In Sight."

Earlier this year, Republicans threatened to prevent two US television networks from carrying party primary debates if they don't abandon planned documentaries on Hillary Clinton.

NBC Entertainment has been working a miniseries on Clinton, the fate of which is unclear.

Clinton has made no announcement of her political plans but the RNC letters -- more than three years ahead of the 2016 election -- show the party's nervousness about a run by Clinton, who narrowly lost the Democratic nomination to Barack Obama in 2008.

CNN said the decision to scrap the project was made by Ferguson.

Mandela 'sitting up', 'much better': grandson



JOHANNESBURG (AFP) - Global anti-apartheid icon Nelson Mandela, who is recovering at home after spending nearly three months in hospital, is said to be doing "much better" and sitting up on his bed, his grandson was quoted as saying last week.

Mbuso Mandela told The New Age newspaper that the 95-year-old statesman was "sitting up and looking around" and had spent a public holiday surrounded by family.

"I saw him again yesterday (Wednesday) at lunch. He is doing well," he said, adding that "we are keeping him company".

He stressed that Mandela was "much better" and not completely bed-ridden.

Mandela is receiving intensive care for a respiratory illness at his Johannesburg home where he returned after being discharged on September 1.

He had spent 36 days in a Pretoria hospital.

His condition was described as critical but stable throughout his stay.

The frail statesman has faced several health scares in recent years amid lung problems that date back to his 27 years in jail.

He has been hospitalised several times since last Decem-

ber. His latest hospitalisation was his longest.

The frail statesman is admired for his lifelong sacrifice in fighting the brutal regime of racial segregation installed with apartheid in 1948.

In his address at the United Nations in New York, President Jacob Zuma said Mandela "continues to respond to treatment."

Mandela became South Africa's first black president in 1994, after leading talks that ended white minority rule and put the ruling African National Congress in power.



TOULON (AFP) - Belem (L) ship from France takes part in the Mediterranean Tall Ships Regatta "Voiles de Legende" (Legendary Sails) on September 30, 2013 in the Mediterranean Sea, near Toulon, southern France.

Jailed Belarusians, Malala, Snowden shortlisted for Sakharov prize

BRUSSELS (AFP) - Three jailed Belarusian dissidents, US intelligence leaker Edward Snowden and Pakistani girls' education campaigner Malala Yousafzai were shortlisted Monday for the European Parliament's prestigious Sakharov human rights prize.

The three Belarusians, Ales Bialatski, Eduard Lobau and Mykola Statkevich, were jailed after mass protests in Minsk in December 2010 against the re-election of President Alexander Lukashenko.

They were backed for the prize, to be announced October 10 and officially November 20, by some 40 EU centre-right and conservative lawmakers.

Malala, who has become emblematic of the fight against

the most radical forms of Islamism, was backed by the three main political groups in parliament, making her a favourite for the award.

Snowden, the US contractor who revealed widespread spying by the United States on friends and foes alike and who has sought asylum in Russia, was nominated by the Greens and a far left group.

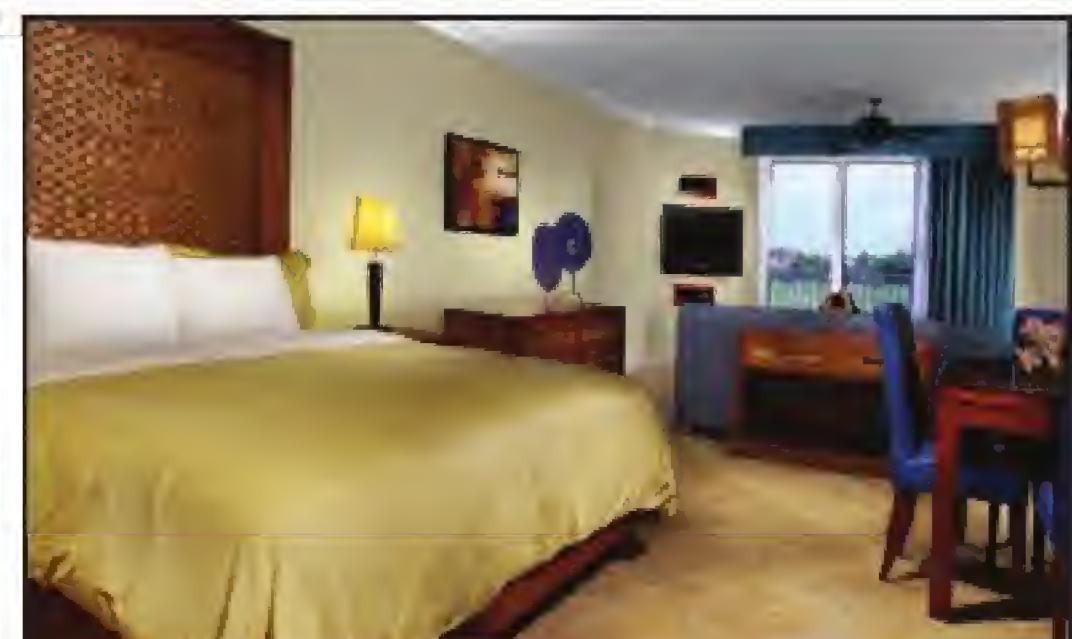
Last year's award went to detained Iranians, lawyer Nasrin Sotoudeh and film-maker Jafar Panahi, to honour those "standing up for a better Iran."

Past winners of the 50,000-euro (\$65,000) prize include South African anti-apartheid hero Nelson Mandela and former UN secretary general Kofi Annan.



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sundry to their proud undertaking, 5 Burgers Aruba. The couple's fanatical dedication to giving their customers what they really want has resulted in a unique menu from an internationally known franchise with a "5", which now includes breakfast.

"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," believes Aaron. Upon entering 5 Burgers Aruba in The Village Mall in Palm Beach, one is struck by utterly spotless surroundings and a smiling, friendly, attentive service crew. Of course, the main item on the menu is burgers-the way they were meant to be, thick and juicy, made fresh daily and 100% pure beef, the kind that made the hamburger a traditional American treat.

However, beginning at 7 a.m., patrons can now order 2

eggs any style, (omelets with 3 fillings are \$7.99) toast and coffee with unlimited refills for the special introductory price of only \$3.99, or All-you-can-eat pancakes for \$6.99! A new plate called the "Home Run" comes with 2 eggs, bacon or sausage, 2 pancakes, toast & home fries - for only \$9.99! Best of all - unlimited coffee or tea - that is, refillable and never ending is only \$.79! Breakfast is served from 8am until noon. Famous for their fries made from fresh potatoes, Aaron has been working for months on devising the most irresistible home fries recipe, chunky and tender with skins still on; after much testing and tasting, he got the thumbs up from his harshest critic, Rosie, so this is another treat you have to try.

A glance at their burger menu will certainly tempt you to return for lunch or dinner, to sample their famous specialty items such as the Gouda, Farmer's or Man Burger (al-

most 12 ounces of choice beef), and a Western Burger with Aaron's secret-recipe crispy onion rings. All of these can be personalized with an incredible array of toppings, (mushrooms, jalapeno peppers, bacon, cheese, lettuce, tomato...whatever, the list goes on) at absolutely no extra cost.



5 Burger portions are ENORMOUS! Aaron suggests that even their small serving of fries is enough to be shared by two. He was very amused to watch a famous French chef

demonstrating the best way to make fried potatoes on a gourmet cooking show and could only comment "He stole my recipe!"

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SPORTS

NBA: League looks to alter finals format: report

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - The NBA competition committee has voted to recommend the club owners change the NBA finals schedule, a move that could come as soon as next year, ESPN reported on Sunday.

Citing unnamed sources, ESPN's website reported that the owners are expected to re-

turn to the 2-2-1-1-1 format for hosting games in the best-of-seven championship series, scrapping the 2-3-2 format used since 1985.

The switch is expected to be adopted at the next NBA owners meeting in October and could be used for next June's finals of the upcoming campaign.

Supporters of the move say the current format diminishes some of the edge for the higher seed, although it does ease travel issues for teams.

The Miami Heat won a second NBA in a row last June by capturing games six and seven at home, but were only the fourth club in 29 years to achieve that distinction.

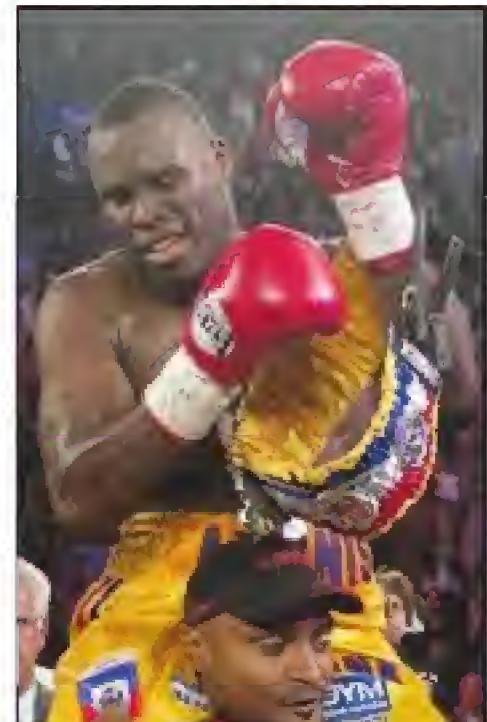
Boxing: Stevenson stops Cloud to keep light-heavyweight title

MONTREAL (AFP) - Haitian-born Canadian Adonis Stevenson defended his World Boxing Council light-heavyweight title Saturday by stopping US former world champion Tavoris Cloud after seven rounds.

Stevenson, a 36-year-old southpaw, won his ninth fight in a row and improved to 22-1 with his 19th victory inside the distance. Cloud fell to 24-2 with his second loss in a row.

Stevenson was a hometown favorite in Montreal. In June he successfully defended his world title by knocking out American Chad Dawson in only 76 seconds.

"I've beaten two great champions," Stevenson said. "Just basic boxing, connecting, use my jab, my movement. I was training for that. I've been seven rounds, I still can box him."



Cloud was bleeding by the end of the fourth round. Stevenson dropping his guard at times and taunting the challenger as the crowd chanted Stevenson's nickname, "Superman."

A hard left to the head in the seventh staggered Cloud and a right hook followed by a body blow opened cuts over both eyes, prompting Cloud's corner to ask for the bout to be halted just moments after the seventh round ended.

MLB: Sveum sacked as Cubs manager

CHICAGO (AFP) - Dave Sveum has been fired after two disappointing seasons as manager of the Chicago Cubs, the Major League Baseball team's president Theo Epstein said Monday.

Sveum had one year left on his contract. He led the Cubs to a record of 66-96 this season, after a 61-101 won-loss record in his first year of 2012.

Chicago have now had four consecutive losing seasons and last reached the playoffs in 2008.

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LA LIGA: El-Arabi double downs Athletic Bilbao

MADRID (AFP) - Athletic Bilbao missed the chance to move into the top four of La Liga as Granada beat the Basques 2-0 to register their first home victory of the season.

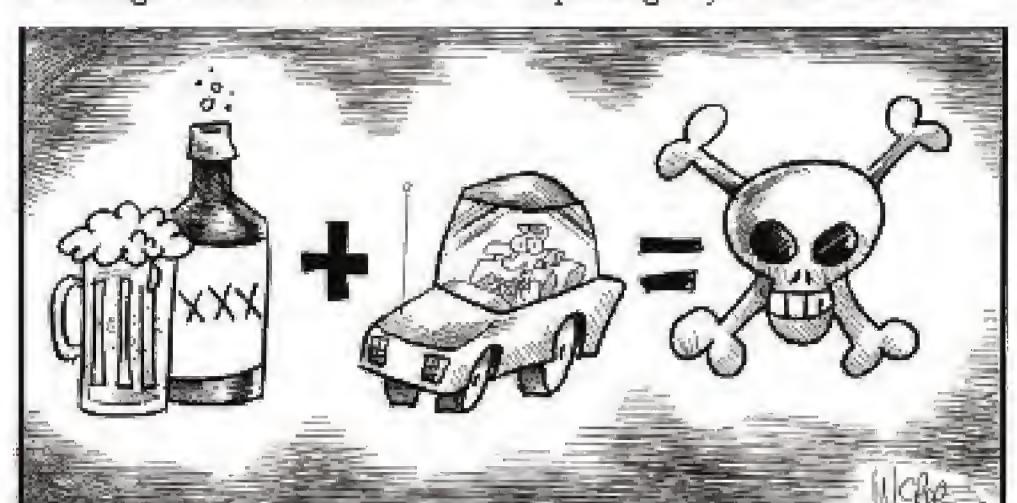
feat.

Iraizoz made a fine stop from Diego Buonanotte to prevent Granada going in front on 18 minutes after Michael Pereira had left Aymeric Laporte in his wake.

Granada were gifted their first goal at home in four games this season after the break when referee Alfonso Alvarez Izquierdo adjudged Herrera's weak challenge on Brahimi to be worthy of a penalty and El-Arabi confidently slotted home the spot-kick.

And the Moroccan forward converted an even easier opportunity moments later when a corner to the near post was helped on by Diakhate and he was left unmarked to nod home from close range.

Iraizoz then made a great save to deny El-Arabi his hat-trick and also held Buonanotte's header from inside the area, but Athletic offered little in response as Granada sealed their first victory since the opening day of the season.



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NFL: Manning's Broncos roll over Eagles

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - The Denver Broncos set a franchise record for points in a game by beating Philadelphia 52-20 behind red-hot quarterback Peyton Manning's four touchdown strikes.

Manning added to his record-setting touchdown total, racking up 16 through the first four games of the season to set a NFL mark.

"We felt really motivated to score points against these guys," said Manning, who also registered his league-record 24th career game on Sunday with at least four passing strikes.

"We were motivated to be on top of our game offensively, to score points, touchdowns not field goals, and I thought we did that today."



Manning was 28-of-34 for 327 yards and no interceptions. He tied Milt Plum's mark for most touchdown passes to start a season without an interception, set in 1960 with the Browns.

Wes Welker and Demaryius Thomas both caught two scores, and Knowshon Moreno ran for 78 yards and a touchdown on 12 carries for the Broncos, who improved to 4-0.

Denver have won 15 consecutive regular-season contests dating back to last season to set a club record.

Quarterback Michael Vick threw for 248 yards on 14-of-27 passing for the Eagles, who fell to 1-3. Philadelphia lost their third-straight game since opening the season with a victory over the Washington Redskins.

Vick didn't last the game as he was replaced in the fourth quarter by Nick Foles who unlike Vick was able to pass for a touchdown when he hit Jeff Maehl from six yards out.

Denver blew the game open in the second half with 31 con-

secutive points thanks to Manning's heroics.

He engineered three straight scoring drives, with each one ending in a touchdown pass to give Denver a commanding lead.

Manning completed all five passes on a 65-yard, seven-play series that culminated with a four-yard touchdown pass to Welker to make it 42-13.

In Kansas City, the Chiefs continued their surprising early-season success with a 31-7 rout of the New York Giants thanks to a stingy defense and a productive special teams unit.

Alex Smith shook off a pair of interceptions to throw three touchdown passes for the Chiefs, who are off to their best start to a season since 2003.

"On all three sides of the ball, we're doing a good job of taking care of the ball, scoring points, taking the ball away, scoring on special teams," said Chiefs wide receiver Dwayne Bowe.

Smith threw for 288 yards on 24-of-41 passing, while Ja-

total yards.

"Right now we're 4-0 and the target is on our back, and we have to keep pushing," said Bowe.

New York is now 0-4 for the first time since the 1987 season.

Steven Hauschka booted a 45-yard field goal with 3:19 left in overtime to rally the unbeaten Seattle Seahawks to a 23-20 win over the Texans in Houston.

Seattle scored the final 20 points and are undefeated after four games for the first time in franchise history.

In the late game Sunday, New England held on to beat Atlanta 30-23.

In earlier contests the results were Buffalo 23 Baltimore 20; Arizona 13 Tampa Bay 10; Indianapolis 37 Jacksonville 3; Cleveland 17 Cincinnati 6; Detroit 40 Chicago 32; Minnesota 34 Pittsburgh 27; Tennessee 38 NY Jets 13; Washington 24 Oakland 14; and San Diego 30 Dallas 21.

MLB Standings

American League

East	W	L	Pct	GB
BOSTON	97	65	.599	—
TAMPA	91	71	.562	6.0
BALTIMORE	85	77	.525	12.0
YANKEES	85	77	.525	12.0
TORONTO	74	88	.457	23.0

Central	W	L	Pct	GB
DETROIT	93	69	.574	—
CLEVELAND	92	70	.568	1.0
KANSAS	86	76	.531	7.0
MINNESOTA	66	96	.407	27.0
CHICAGO	63	99	.389	30.0

West	W	L	Pct	GB
OAKLAND	96	66	.593	—
TEXAS	91	71	.562	5.0
LA ANGELES	78	84	.481	18.0
SEATTLE	71	91	.438	25.0
HOUSTON	51	111	.315	45.0

National League

East	W	L	Pct	GB
ATLANTA	96	66	.593	—
WASHINGTON	86	76	.531	10.0
NY METS	74	88	.457	22.0
PHILADELPHIA	73	89	.451	23.0
MIAMI	62	100	.383	34.0

Central	W	L	Pct	GB
ST. LOUIS	97	65	.599	—
PITTSBURGH	94	68	.580	3.0
CINCINNATI	90	72	.556	7.0
MILWAUKEE	74	88	.457	23.0
CHICAGO	66	96	.407	31.0

West	W	L	Pct	GB
DODGERS	92	70	.568	—
ARIZONA	81	81	.500	11.0
SAN FRANCISCO	76	86	.469	16.0
SAN DIEGO	76	86	.469	16.0
COLORADO	74	88	.457	18.0

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Golf: Chinese teenager to take on Woods, McIlroy

BEIJING (AFP) - Chinese prodigy Guan Tianlang, 14, will take on world number one Tiger Woods and Rory McIlroy in a "skills challenge" before an 18-hole showdown between the two pros, organisers said Monday.

In April Guan became the youngest to compete at the Masters, and despite being penalised a stroke for slow play, still managed to finish the leading amateur.

"The Match" between Woods and McIlroy will be held over the Blackstone Course at Mission Hills Haikou, on the Chinese island of Hainan, on October 28.

As part of the showpiece, the "skills challenge" features the three players hitting shots at three targets at a distance of 50, 100 and 125 yards.

In a press release, Woods said of the talented Guan. "I'm really excited about his future and what he's doing for the profile of golf in China, so it's great he'll be a part of The Match at Mission Hills."

Guan added: "It will be nice to see Tiger again because he has been very supportive, such as when we practised together at this year's Masters."

"I haven't played with Rory before, but we had a nice chat at the Masters and he also offered me some good advice."

"Both Tiger and Rory achieved a lot of success when they were teenagers, so I always appreciate it whenever they offer advice."

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FIFA to blame over Qatar World Cup 'mess' - British minister

LONDON (AFP) - The possible move of the 2022 World Cup in Qatar from the summer to winter was a "mess" of FIFA's own making, British Sports Minister Hugh Robertson said Monday.

In comments to Britain's Press Association, Robertson added that he saw no other option than moving the tournament to the winter to escape the stifling heat of Qatar in the summer.

"I don't think anybody in the world of football thinks a World Cup in Qatar in the summer is a sensible or deliverable option," Robertson told PA.

"To that extent, this is a mess of FIFA's own making.

"I don't blame the Qataris at all - they wanted the World Cup and every country is entitled to have that ambition and they entered the bidding competition in the way sug-

gested by FIFA. I entirely blame FIFA."

Qatar was awarded the right to host the 2022 tournament in 2010, but FIFA, UEFA and footballers' union FIFPro have since called for it to be moved to a different time of year.

However, proposals to change the date of the tournament have met with opposition from leading European clubs, who are concerned

about disruption to their traditional calendars.

The minister also called for FIFA to compensate those other countries who bid for 2022.

"FIFA has to remember there are a series of other countries who bid for that 2022 World Cup in good faith and are now going to find the goal-posts have moved," he said.

"If it's held in the winter that's absolutely sensible but to have a re-pitch would be quite unfair on the Qataris."

"I think a deal should be done where the fact the Qataris won it fair and square is acknowledged but other nations who bid for 2022 are compensated in some shape or form, either financially or by hosting other FIFA tournaments."